# Village of INDIAN POINT

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## Smoke Signals

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#### Calendar of Events—

November, 2004

November 1 — Noon Police & Safety

November 3—2:00 p.m. Board of Public Works

November 4 — 7:00 p.m. Planning & Zoning

November 9—7:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting

November 10—6:00 p.m. Enchanted Forest Ceremony/ Dinner Hunter's Friend Resort/Indian Point Convention Center

November 11—6:30 p.m. Village Budget Session

Note: All meetings /events are held in the Treehouse Condo Club Room unless noted otherwise

As of publication, these are the only meetings scheduled.

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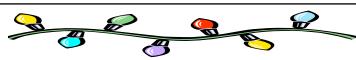
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#### **Enchanted Forest Celebration**

The Indian Point Chamber of Commerce and the Village of Indian Point will once again be home to the only FREE Christmas Light display in Branson. The Enchanted Forest.

Come and enjoy the opening celebration of Enchanted Forest 2004 to be held on Wednesday—November 10th—6:00PM—Hunter's Friend Resort.

Entertainment will be provided by:

- Tom Silas—Formerly with The Commodores and now performing in Branson in the Charley Pride Tribute Show
- Walter White—Formerly with the Platters, Walter now produces and performs in the Motown Downtown Show.
- The Brett Family—The Brett Family Singers have just been nominated for Branson's BEST MORNING SHOW, BEST VOCAL GROUP, and BEST YOUNG EN-TERTAINERS OF THE YEAR!

After the lighting ceremony, the event will continue at the Indian Point Convention Center (behind DreamCatcher Resort) for a wonderful meal and door prizes.

So—Mark your calendar and join in the fun and festivities kicking off the Christmas season in the Village!

## Calling All Volunteers

Calling all Volunteers—You are needed to start stringing the lights for the Enchanted Forest. All work has to be finished by November 10th before the opening ceremony!

Please call Mike Kugler at Hunter's Friend Resort, 338-2849 for dates and times.

## Toys for Tots

White Wing Resort will be hosting the Toys for Tots collection from now through December.

Toys must be new and some suggested items to purchase are:

- Make-up kits for girls
- CD's
- CD Cases
- Walkman
- Batteries
- Cosmetic Jewelry
- Games
- Models

DO NOT WRAP OR OPEN THE TOYS—If you have any questions, contact Laura at 338-2318.

## TRUSTEES OCTOBER MEETING

The Board of Trustees met on October 12, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the Treehouse Condo Clubroom to review and/or take action on the following:

- Minutes from the September meeting was approved as written.
- September financials were filed for audit and line item budget changes were approved in the Police budget.
- Proposed amendments to the CAAD ordinance were referred to the Village Attorney for review.
- Approval to renew the Commercial Lease for another year with the Indian Point Chamber of Commerce was tabled until November.
- Approval was granted to direct the Village Superintendent to prepare a grant application for a concrete pad for the recycle trailer.
- Discussion was held regarding the U S Flags along Indian Point Road and will be reviewed in November.
- Reports were given on new

signage for the Village and Silver Dollar City.

- Police and Safety—Police Chief Carl McKinney reported on the proper procedures for securing evidence and an extended warranty be purchased in 2005 for the vehicle. Approval was given by the Trustees to change the locks in the office and keys issued to the landlord and personnel only for security reasons.
- Planning and Zoning Commission—Greg Maycock reported on a sketch plan in Tablerock Beach subdivision, Lot K for condos that was presented. No action was taken and a revised sketch plan is to be submitted in the future.
- Board of Public Works—Greg Maycock reported on wastewater systems that were approved and the positive response of the inventory forms. He also asked that the Village enter a new contract for the remaining five districts planned for wastewater management and extend the contract to finish the Jakes Creek Trail project with Heithaus Engineering. Approval was granted by the Trustees to extend the current contract with Heithaus Engineering for an additional \$10,000.00 for the Jakes Creek Trail Project.
- Roads—Jim Daily reported on

- sepeed limits and signage which is being studied by the Chief of Police and the Road Department. He also noted that preparation for the winter season has been made.
- cAAD—Kent Turner gave an update on the recycling program and commented on the Transportation Coalition. Kent also noted that the Enchanted Forest ceremony will beheld on Wednesday, November 10th at Hunter's Friend Resort and the dinner at the Indian Point Convention Center. The Trails project was updated regarding the additional easements with White River Electric.
- Building Committee—Ken Turner reported that the architects will make a presentation at the November Trustees meeting.
- Accounts payable were approved, with the exception of the United Surveying Associates payment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Copies of the actual minutes of the meeting are in the Village office. If you would like a copy, the cost is \$2.50 per month and the proper forms are available in the office to receive a copy or download the minutes from the website at no charge!

#### **BPW Notes**

The Board of Public Works directors would like to thank all residents and commercial owners for submitting their inventory forms so promptly. If you haven't mailed your inventory form, please complete same and mail in the postage paid envelop today.

The information that is being gathered will assist the Village in the preparation of moving forward to better the community in the environment.

The first project, Jakes Creek Trail, is moving ahead and the planning stages are nearing completion.

Watch for more news on this worthwhile project.



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## Happy Thanksgiving

By: Arno Wehr

Well, this can be a pretty broad subject. But it might mean a bit more if we can use a specific example or two (or in this case up to two dozen)!

Twenty-seven years ago, Tony and Sue Battaglia gave up their Ohio home and hauled their family to the end of this peninsula. Like pio-

hopes and dreams to succeed. Today, they are married fifty years and lived

neers, they had

over half that time here in our small village. Life is lumpy and they have had great challenges as well as sweet successes. The sweetest is that their entire family has decided to live here and be together. That is a great example of a happy thanksgiving.

> When we try to grasp what our village personality is we find nothing to hold on to. But when we stare a while, it becomes clear that we have a lot of Tony and Sue in all of us.

What brought us here from Chicago, anywhere Iowa, South Africa, Canada, Georgia and everywhere in between?

We can be thankful that part of our good life is living on Indian Point. Pass the pumpkin pie please!



## **Testing Time**

By: Arno Wehr II

Well, you live on Indian Point, but do you know who changed the name of Indian Ridge to Indian Point? Do you know about the Tomato Road, Mamaros Post Office, Baldnobber Trail, and our first residents, the Early Indians? Everyone here should recognize Wakoo, Artilla, Boomerang, Witthaus, Benttree, Cabana City, John the Diver Island, Stotts Point, and Winged Eagle. You drive by marble, old charcoal and silver mines, and old whiskey making sites everyday. And while you've heard about local tomato farms and basket making, did you know we had strawberry farms here and sheep herding? Well talk amongst yourselves and come up with your own tidbits, like where are our local caves, bear, and of course big crappie (once thought extinct).

Indian Point is an interesting place because when the locals get together at potlucks and other events, they interact and learn how interesting this place is. (Get a shovel and find the two Model A trucks buried at Salamander Creek.)

Anyway, from time to time, its fun to test our knowledge of the place we call home or our getaway. Now about those big Crappie..........

## Indian Point Holiday Bazaar - November 5th & 6th

Come and shop for the Holidays!

Where: Treehouse Clubrooms When: November 5 & 6, 9am to 5pm

Hand crafted gifts, candles, towels, scarves, quilts, baby sweaters, work carved items, art, cookies, candies and more.

## Planning for the Future

The Board of Trustees, Board of Public Works, and committee chairs have been meeting to plan for the future. Long range planning sessions were held at open meetings on October 19th and 20th. A lot was accomplished—but we still have to fine tune our planning. Sessions were facilitated by Tom Koehan from the Missouri Extension and our accountant, Lisa Officer of McCullough, Officer and Company.

An open budget work session for the fiscal year 2005 will be held on Thursday, November 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the Treehouse Condo clubroom.

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## **Fresh Starts**

By: Carl McKinney Police Chief

As many of you know by now, the Village of Indian Point has a new Chief of Police. For those of you I have not met yet, my name is Carl McKinney. My wife, Stephanie, and I are from Oklahoma where I've spent several years working as a police officer. My experience began as a Chief of Police in my hometown of Valliant.

Being a police officer requires me to enforce all Federal and Missouri state laws, including local ordinance violations. This includes answering calls for service regarding domestic disturbances, thefts, traffic violations and accidents just to name a few. I will be conducting routine patrols and making traffic stops for violations committed in my presence. However, I will not be running a "speed trap" on Indian Point. With that, I am committed to equal service to the citizens and businesses of Indian Point. Also, I want everyone to understand that as Chief of Police, my duties include criminal investigations. I want everyone to realize not all situations can be resolved overnight, nor will all operations of the department be immediately apparent to the public.

Hopefully as time passes, the department will grow along with Indian Point. I have many goals in mind for the police department, including the addition of more officers. This and other issues have been covered in a long rang plan and these goals can be achieved with funds obtained by federal and state grants along with general revenue.

I support an open door policy and I want everyone to feel free to come by my office with any concerns you may

have. I look forward to getting to know each of you and making Indian Point my home.

## Нарру Thanksgiving



The Village Office will be closed on Thursday (November 25th) & Friday (November 26th) in observance of Thanksgiving.